



# South Dublin County Today

Contae Átha Cliath Theas Inniu  
May 2009 Bealtaine 2009

Adamstown, Lucan  
Baile Adaim, Leamhcán



Tallaght Stadium  
Staidiam Thamhlachta



Tallaght Town Centre  
Ionad Baile Thamhlachta



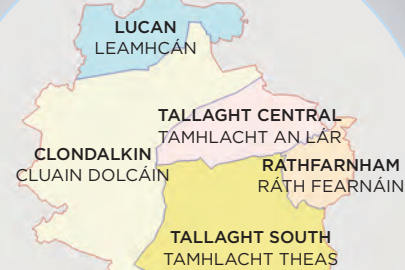
Lucan Skate Park  
Páirc Scátála Leamhcáin



Grangecastle Business Park,  
Clondalkin  
Páirc Gnó Chaisleán na Gráinsí  
Chluain Dolcáin



Luas, Tallaght Central  
Luas, Tamhlacht - An Lár



Rose Garden Corkagh,  
Clondalkin  
Gáirdín na Rós i gCorkach,  
Cluain Dolcáin



Corkagh Fishery  
Iascach Chorcaí



Rathfarnham Castle  
Caisleán Ráth Fearnáin



Tallaght Swimming Pool  
Linn Snámha Thamhlachta



Rua Red



Anne Devlin, Rathfarnham  
Áine Ní Dhoibhlín, Ráth Fearnáin



## Message from the Mayor

### Message from the Mayor - Councillor Marie Corr

This edition of South Dublin County Today celebrates the achievements and the positive changes that have been created in the last five years as a result of decisions taken by this Council. The recent economic downturn should not eclipse the facilities that we were wise to create in the good times - such as the magnificent new County Library, Rua/Red Arts Centre and the Big Picture, infrastructural developments - Outer Ring Road, upgraded N7 and M50, Adamstown - the first SDZ initiative in the country and many more. I am proud of the work and the change achieved. I would like to acknowledge the work and contributions of my fellow Councillors, the County Manager, Joe Horan and the staff of the Council and most importantly the Community of South Dublin County and I look forward to the future development and growth of this great County.

## Teachtaireacht ón Méara

### Teachtaireacht ón Méara - An Comhairleoir Marie Corr

Déanann an t-eagrán seo de Áth Cliath Theas Inniu ceiliúradh ar na gnóthachtálacha agus na hathruithe dearfacha a cruthaíodh le cúig bliana anuas mar throsadh ar chinní a rinne an Chomhairle seo. Níor chóir don chor chun donais sa gheilleagar ár n-aird a tharraingt ó na saoráidí a cruthaíodh go stuama sa dea-thréimhse eacnamaíoch - cosúil leis an Leabharlann Contae iontach nua, Ionad Ealaíon Rua/Red agus An Fhís Mhór, forbairtí bonneagair - An Cuarbhóthar Lasmuigh, N7 agus M50 uasghráidithe, Baile Adaim - an chéad cheann a pleanáladh faoi thionscnamh an Chreasa Forbartha Inbhuanaithe agus go leor leor eile. Tá bród orm as ucht na hoibre agus an athraithe a baineadh amach. Is mian liom aitheantas a thabhairt d'obair agus cabhair mo Chomh-Chomhairleoirí, an Bainsteoir Contae, Joe Horan, agus bhaill foirne na Comhairle agus go mór mór do Phobal Átha Cliath Theas agus táim ag tnúth le forbairt agus fás sa Chontae iontach seo san am amach romhainn.

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### Clondalkin Cluain Dolcáin

### Tallaght Central Tamhlacht - An Lár



**Councillor Billy Gogarty**  
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R.I.P. 21-5-08



**Councillor Fintan Mc Carthy**  
Green Party  
R.I.P. 1-8-07

**The Mayor, Members, Colleagues and Staff of South Dublin County Council would like to acknowledge the contributions made to local democracy by Councillor Billy Gogarty and Councillor Fintan McCarthy during the lifetime of this council.**

Ba mhaith leis an Méara, a comhghleacaithe agus Bail Foirne Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas aitheantas a thabhairt don mhéid a chuir an Comhairleoir Billy Gogarty agus an Comhairleoir Fintan McCarthy leis an daonlathas áitiúil le linn shaolré na comhairle seo.





## Message from the County Manager Teachtaireacht ón mBainisteoir

### Message from the County Manager – Joe Horan

South Dublin County is in a good position to cope with the challenging times this country now faces. We have a young educated population with access to amenities and facilities that offer the best educational, cultural, social and work opportunities. Changed economic circumstances has enabled the sharing of facilities with other agencies in the County – IT Tallaght, Government Departments, and FAS. We will work with people who have become recently unemployed to develop Intellectual Enterprise Zones helping to create a Knowledge Economy by promoting new business start ups and the creation of a Virtual Business Campus in the County. This will ensure that highly qualified unemployed people will have access to support and technology. I look forward to developing South Dublin County as a place of Innovation and Creativity.

I wish to acknowledge the commitment and support of the Mayor and all the elected members of this Council in the many positive developments in the last five years.

### Teachtaireacht ón mBainisteoir Contae – Joe Horan

Tá cumas maith i gContae Átha Cliath Theas chun dul i ngleic leis an am dúshlánach atá os ár gcomhair amach. Tá daonra óg dea-oilte sa tír le rochtain ar áiseanna agus saoráidí a chuireann na deiseanna is fearr oideachais, cultúrtha, sóisialta agus oibre ar fáil. Mar thoradh ar chúinsí eacnamaíocha athraithe, tá éascaíocht déanta do shaoráidí a chomhroinnt le gníomhaireachtaí eile sa Chontae – IT Thamhlachta, Ranna Rialtais agus FÁS. Oibreimid leis na daoine a chaill a bpost le déanaí chun Criosanna Fiontraíochta Intleachtaí a fhorbairt, a chabhróidh le Geilleagar Eolasbhunaithe a chruthú trí ghnólachtaí nua-thionscanta a chur chun cinn agus Campas Fíorúil gnó a chruthú sa Chontae. Cinnteoidh sé sin go mbeidh rochtain ag daoine ardcháilithe dífhostaithe ar thacaíocht agus teicneolaíocht.

Is mian liom aitheantas a thabhairt do thiomantas agus tacaíocht an Mhéara agus bhall foirne na Comhairle seo le cúig bliana anuas.

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**Gerard Cullen (PD)**  
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**Alan McGaughey (PD)**  
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Resigned 28/08/08

**Stanley Laing (FG)**  
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## Strategic Policy Committees strengthening the role of democracy in Local Government

Local government is about local people and their elected representatives shaping the future together. The Strategic Policy Committee structures afford both the elected representatives and local sectoral interests, the opportunity to be more involved in policy formulation for the benefit of the community. Services that are to be delivered and administered are strategically planned and the SPCs give both the councillor and community a strengthened role in this regard.



## Ról an daonlathais á neartú sa Rialtas Áitiúil ag Struchtúr an Choiste um Beartas Straitéiseach

Is éard atá i gceist le Rialtas Áitiúil, daoine áitiúla agus a n-ionadaithe tofa ag obair le chéile chun an todhchaí a mhúnlú. Cuireann struchtúir an Choiste um Beartas Straitéiseach deis ar fáil do na hionadaithe tofa agus do pháirtithe leasmhara earnála áitiúla páirt níos mó a ghlacadh le foirmiú beartais ar mhaithe leis an bpobal. Déantar seirbhísí atá le seachadadh agus le riaradh a phleanáil go straitéiseach agus tugann na Coistí um Beartas Straitéiseach ról neartaithe don chomhairleoir agus don phobal ina thaobh sin.



**Economic Development. Housing & Social. Transportation. Environment.**  
**Arts, Culture, Gaeilge, Education and Libraries. Sport, Recreation, Community & Parks.**

Forbairt agus Pleanáil Eacnamaíoch. Tithíocht agus Sóisialta. Iompar. Comhshaol.  
 Na hEalaíona, an Cultúr, an Ghaeilge, Oideachas agus na Leabharlanna. Spórt, Áineas, Pobal agus Páirceanna.



**Some Achievements**

- County Arts Policy
- Traveller Accommodation Strategy
- County Play Policy
- Climate Change Strategy
- Irish Language Scheme
- Youth Art Policy
- Water Leisure Strategy
- Litter Management Plan
- “Teenspace” – National Recreation Strategy
- Housing Action Plan 2004-2008
- Water Strategy
- Sustainable Energy Strategy
- Library Development Plan
- Green Routes
- School Transport Initiatives

**Cuid Gnóthachtálacha**

- Beartas Ealaíon Contae
- Cóiríocht don Lucht Siúil
- Beartas Súgartha Contae
- Straitéis um Athrú na hAeráide
- Scéim na Gaeilge
- Beartas Ealaíne Óige
- Straitéis um Áineas Uisce
- Plean Bainistíochta Bruscair
- “Teenspace”
- Plean Gníomhaíochta Tithíochta 2004-2008
- Straitéis Uisce
- Fuinneamh Inbhuanaithe
- Plean Forbartha Leabharlann
- Slite Folláine Comhshaoil
- Tionscnamh Iompair Scoile





## Moving through our County

During the lifetime of this Council there has been significant improvement and ongoing investment in transportation infrastructure delivering high quality, sustainable and integrated transport systems for people and goods. The LUAS Red Line to Tallaght including its proposed extension to Citywest, has headlined the Public Transport Projects. To date progress has also been made on the planning of Metrowest, Lucan LUAS and the Kildare Route Project serving Adamstown, Fonthill and Kishogue. In addition, achievements have been made on the delivery of Quality Bus Corridors, Cycleways, Green Routes and the Footpath Programme in recent years.



## Ag Gluaiseacht tríd ár gContae

Tá feabhsú suntasach agus infheistíocht leanúnach déanta sa bhonneagar iompair le linn shaolré na Comhairle seo, rud a sheachadann córais iompair ardchaighdeáin, inbhuanaithe chomhtháite do dhaoine agus d'earraí. Cé gurb é Líne Dhearg LUAS chuig Tamhlacht, lena n-áirítear an síneadh molta air chuig Iarthar na Cathrach, an tionscadal is tábhachtaí de na Tionscadail Iompair Phoiblí go dtí seo, tá dul chun cinn déanta chomh maith ar phleanáil Metrowest, LUAS Leamhcáin agus Tionscadal Bhealach Chill Dara a dhéanfaidh freastal ar Bhaile Adaim, Cnoc an Fhuaráin agus an Chiseog. Ina theannta sin, tá gnóthachtálacha bainte amach maidir le seachadadh na Mórlánaí Bus, Conairí Rothaíochta, Bealaí Glasa agus an Clár Cosáin le blianta beaga anuas.



### Facts

- 847 km of Roads in total
- 30,000 Public Lighting Columns
- 102 School Wardens
- 120 Signalised Pedestrian Crossings
- 132 Sets of Traffic Lights
- 2 million euro spent on the footpath repair and renewal in 2008

### Fíricí

- Achar 847 km de Bhóithre ar an iomlán,
- 30,000 Colún Soilsiú Poiblí
- 102 Maor Scoile
- 120 Trasrian Coisithe le Comharthaí
- 132 Sraith Soilse Tráchta
- 2 milliún euro caite ar dheisiú agus athnuachan cosáin in 2008



## Our Local Environment

Our environment is precious. We all need to be mindful of our impact on the future of our resources – water, materials and the landscape. This County continues to strive to develop more sustainable options.

### Water

The water supply in South Dublin County comes mainly from the water treatment plant at Ballymore Eustace. Water reaches your tap through the 1,400 kilometre waterpipe network in the County.

### Did you know

- 170km water mains laid in past 5 years
- 40 megalitre reservoir and 22km of pipelines completed

### Water is precious – let's not waste it

- 33 Pressure Reducing Valves installed saving over 2 million litres per day
- Savings of 25 billion litres (or 5 Olympic swimming pools a day of water every day for past 5 years) saved through active leakage control in past 5-years

### Waste management

- Grey bin collection to over 83,000 households
- 61 bring banks location in the County

- We recycle 30% of our waste in South Dublin County
- The new Material Recovery Facility for the Dublin region, Ballymount was opened by Minister John Gormley
- First accessible underground bring bank opened in Sean Walsh Park in 2008

### Litter

We want South Dublin County to be litter free

- The national launch of National Spring Clean took place in St Aongus's, Tallaght in March 2009 –over 700 people present
- Tallaght achieved litter free status in January 2009
- Lucan wins category in Tidy Towns competition
- There are 7 litter wardens in the County
- Almost 3000 Litter fines issued in 2008



### No Grey Bin Collection on Bank Holidays Ballymount Civic Amenity Centre Open All Day

**There will be no grey bin collection on the June Bank Holiday Monday or on future Bank Holidays. Householders are asked to put their bin out on the week before or the week after bank holidays from now on.**

Thanks to the fortnightly green bin collection, householders are really reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. Please continue to recycle as much as you can - **Ballymount Civic Amenity will be open on Bank Holiday Mondays 09:30 - 17:00.**



## Ár gComhshaol Áitiúil



Baineann ardluach leis an gcomhshaol timpeall orainn. Ní mór dúinn ar fad a bheith airdeallach maidir le cad a tharlóidh dár n-acmhainní amach anseo – maidir le huisce, ábhair agus an tírdhreach. Déantar an-iarracht sa Chontae seo i gcónaí chun roghanna níos inbhuanaithe a fhorbairt.

### Uisce

Tagann an soláthar uisce i gContae Átha Cliath Theas go príomha ón ionad cóireála uisce ag an mBaile Mór. Tagann an t-uisce chuig an sconna i do theach tríd an líonra píopa uisce 1,400 ciliméadar sa Chontae.

### An raibh a fhios agat

- gur leagadh síos 170km príomhphíopaí uisce le 5 bliana anuas
- gur críochnaíodh taiscumar 40 meigilítear

ag Ospidéal Mhullach na Pise chomh maith le 22km píblínte

### Baineann ardluach le huisce – ná cuir amú é

- 33 Comhla Laghdaithe Bhrú suiteáilte, rud a choiglíonn os cionn 2 milliún lítear in aghaidh an lae.
- Coigilteas 25 billiún lítear (nó comhionann 5 linn snámha Oilimpeacha uisce in aghaidh an lae gach lá le 5 bliana anuas) a coiglíodh trí rialú ligin gníomhach le 5 bliana anuas.

### Bainistíocht Dramhaíola

- Bailiúchán na mboscaí bruscair liatha ó bhreis is 83,000 teaghlach
- 61 ionad tabhair leat sa Chontae
- Déanaimid 30% dár ndramhaíl i gContae Átha Cliath Theas a athchúrsáil.
- D'oscail an tAire John Gormley an Áis nua Aisghabhála Ábhair do réigiún Átha Cliath, ag Baile an Mhóta.
- An chéad ionad tabhair leat inrochtana faoi thalamh oscailte i bPáirc Sheáin Bhreatnaigh in 2008.

### Bruscar

Is mian linn go mbeidh Contae Átha Cliath Theas saor ó bhruscar

- Reáchtáladh seoladh náisiúnta Glanadh Earraigh Náisiúnta in Eastát Aonghasa, Tamhlacht i mí Mhárta 2009 agus bhí os cionn 700 duine i láthair
- Bhain Tamhlacht stádas saor ó bhruscar amach i mí Eanáir 2008
- Bhain Leamhcán an bua amach sa chatagóir i gcomórtas na mBailte Slachtmhara
- Tá seachtar maor bruscair sa Chontae
- Beagnach 3000 fineáil Bruscair eisithe in 2008.



### Ní Bhaileofar na Boscaí Bruscair Liatha ar Lá Saoire Bainc Ionad Áiseanna Cathartha Bhaile an Mhóta Oscailte Don Lá ar Fad

Ní bhaileofar na boscaí bruscair liatha ar Lá Saoire Bainc mhí an Mheithimh nó ar Laethanta Saoire Bainc amach anseo. Iarrtar ar mhuintir an tí a mbosca bruscair a chur amach an tseachtain roimh na laethanta saoire bainc nó i ndiaidh na laethanta saoire as seo amach.

Tá teaghlaigh ag laghdú méid na dramhaíola go mór atá á chur ar aghaidh chuig an líonadh talún mar thoradh ar bhailiúchán na mboscaí bruscair glasa gach coicís. Lean ar aghaidh ag déanamh athchúrsáil ar an méid is féidir libh, le bhur dtoil - Beidh Ionad Áiseanna Cathartha Bhaile an Mhóta ar oscailt gach Luan Saoire Bainc ó 09:00 go dtí 17:00.

## Planning for the future of our County

Planning is about shaping our future. Creating a place to live, work and play with good infrastructure and services. The development of Adamstown using the Strategic Development Zone planning scheme created a sustainable community with schools, shops and transport options developed alongside housing options.

## Pleanáil a dhéanamh do thodhchaí ár gContae

Ní leis an todhchaí a mhúnlú. Is éard a bhíonn i gceist léi áit a chruthú do dhaoine chun maireachtáil ann, obair a dhéanamh ann agus taitneamh a bhaint as, a mbíonn bonneagar agus seirbhísí maithe ann. Cruthaíodh pobal inbhuanaithe le scoileanna, siopaí agus roghanna iompair curtha ar fáil taobh le roghanna tithíochta le forbairt Bhaile Adaim, trí úsáid a bhaint as scéim pleanála an Chreasa Forbartha Straitéisí



### Strategic Development Zone

A Strategic Development zone is an area designated by Government for a planning scheme, which is a legal document and must be prepared and adopted in accordance with Part IX of the Planning and Development Act.

### Crios Forbartha Straitéisí

Is éard atá i gceist le crios Forbartha Straitéisí limistéar atá ainmnithe ag an Rialtas le haghaidh scéim pleanála, ar doiciméad dlíthiúil é nach mór a ullmhú agus a ghlacadh de réir Chuid IX den Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt.

### Adamstown

Recent survey results indicate a high degree of resident satisfaction, with 7 in 10 residents strongly agreeing that “Adamstown feels like home”. Over 1,000 homes occupied representing more than 10% of the overall development.

### Baile Adaim

Léiríonn torthaí deireanacha suirbhé go bhfuil ardleibhéal sásaimh i measc cónaitheoirí, agus seachtar as gach deichniúr cónaitheoirí ag comhaontú go láidir “go bhfuil mothú teaghlaigh le brath i mBaile Adaim”. Tá daoine ina gcónaí in os cionn 1,000 teach, arb ionann é sin agus os cionn 10% den fhorbairt fhoriomlán.

### Clonburris

This Local Area Plan will provide a framework for the future development of the Clonburris area over a 10 to 20 year period. This development will accommodate up to 15,000 new homes with supported infrastructure.

### Cluain Buiríosa

Soláthróidh an Plean Ceantair Áitiúil seo creat d’fhorbairt Chluain Buiríosa amach anseo thar thréimhse idir 10 mbliana agus 20 bliain. Cuirfidh an fhorbairt nua seo cóiríocht ar fáil do suas go dtí 15,000 teach nua chomh maith le bonneagar tacaithe.

### Local Area Plans

- Tallaght Town Centre 2006
- Clonburris Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme and Local Area Plan
- Liffey Valley Town Centre 2008.

### Pleananna Ceantair Áitiúil

- Ionad Baile Thamhlachta 2006
- Scéim Pleanála Chrios Forbartha Straitéisí agus Plean Ceantair Áitiúil Chluain Buiríosa
- Ionad Baile Ghleann na Life 2008.

### Local Area Plans under preparation

- West Oldcourt
- Naas Road Gateway Urban Design Masterplan, Pre-draft Consultation - Advert.

### Pleananna Ceantair Áitiúil á nUllmhú

- An tSeanchúirt Thiar
- Máistirphlean Dearaidh Uirbigh Gheata Bhóthar an Náis, Comhairliúcháin Réamhdhréachta - Fógra.



## Economic Development **Forbairt Eacnamaíoch**

### **'Make the Next Leap' is about creating opportunities in the County.**

The 'Make the Next Leap' initiative proposes to set up a network of intellectual enterprise zones throughout the county where small to medium enterprises and individuals can use a dedicated desk/office space on a 'time share basis' to run and operate their business.

It is also proposed to develop a virtual business campus or zones where research can be carried out on creating new business opportunities. This space will afford participants to network with like minded individuals.

The web presence will be an interactive space where participants in the programme can provide feedback on their observations, ask questions, register for various training programmes, interact with colleagues and book time/space in the Intellectual Enterprise Zone work space.

The first enterprise zone will be located in Tallaght and will be rolled out to further zones throughout the County. These zones will be located in public buildings such as the Civic

Centre in Clondalkin and other community facilities throughout the County.

This concept has been developed and supported by South Dublin County Development Board in partnership with FAS, the Department of Social and Family Affairs and the IT Tallaght.



Moltar leis an tionscnamh seo, 'Make the Next Leap', líonra criosanna fiontraíochta intleachtaí a bhunú ar fud an chontae, inar féidir le Fiontair Bheaga agus Mheánmhéide agus daoine aonair spás tiomanta deisce/oifige a úsáid ar 'bhonn comhroinnt ama' chun a ngnólacht a chur i bhfeidhm agus a oibriú.

Moltar campas fíorúla gnó a fhorbairt in éineacht leis an spás fisiciúil, inar féidir taighde a dhéanamh ar dheiseanna nua gnó a chruthú. Cuirfidh an spás seo ar cumas rannpháirtithe páirt a ghlacadh i bpobal cleachtais agus líonra le daoine aonair a bhfuil na smaointe céanna acu. Is spás idirghníomhach é an gréasán ar féidir páirt a ghlacadh sa chlár, aiseolas a thabhairt, chomh maith le ceisteanna a fhreagairt, clárú le cláir éagsúla oiliúna, idirghníomhú le comhghleacaithe agus am/spás a chur in áirithe ar spás oibre an Chreasa Fiontraíochta Intleachtaí.

Tá forbairt á déanamh ag Bord Forbartha Chontae Átha Cliath Theas i gcomhar le FAS, an Roinn Gnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh agus IT Thamhlachta ar choincheap Criosanna Fiontraíochta Intleachtaí sa Chontae.

### **South Dublin County Tourism Company**

Formed in 2005. This company promotes, markets and develops South Dublin as a tourism County.

- Halloween

### **Promotion of Local Enterprise**

4 Local Enterprise Centres in the County

### **Green pedestrian Routes**

### **Cuideachta Turasóireachta Chontae Átha Cliath Theas**

Bunaíodh an chuideachta in 2005. Cuireann sí an Contae chun cinn, mar ionad turasóireachta.

- Halloween

### **Cur chun cinn na Fiontraíochta Áitiúla**

4 Ionad Fiontraíochta Áitiúil

### **Bealaí Glasa Coisithe**



## Living in South Dublin County

The Housing Department provides a range of accommodation options including social and affordable housing, Traveller specific accommodation and the Rental Accommodation Scheme as well as assisting in the delivery of voluntary housing and homeless accommodation. We manage a housing stock of more than 8,000 homes providing maintenance, estate management and support services.



## Ag maireachtáil in Áth Cliath Theas

Cuireann an Roinn Tithíochta raon roghanna cóiríochta ar fáil, lena n-áirítear tithíocht shóisialta agus inacmhainne, cóiríocht don Lucht Siúil go sonrach agus an Scéim Cóiríochta ar Cíos, chomh maith le cúnamh a thabhairt le seachadadh na tithíochta deonaí agus cóiríocht do dhaoine gan dídean. Déanaimid bainistíocht ar stoc tithíochta lena mbaineann breis is 8,000 teach agus cuirimid cothabháil, bainistíocht eastát agus seirbhísí tacaíochta ar fáil dóibh.





- South Dublin County Council is the second largest Housing Authority in the State, with a total Housing Portfolio of 8642 rented dwellings
- The Property Path office opened its doors in October 2005 and has a dedicated Sales team for both Affordable Housing and the Tenant Purchase Scheme for Council tenants
- There are 2374 approved affordable housing applicants on our Affordable Housing List as at April 2009
- Since 2003 - 1381 affordable housing applicants purchased their own home. Examples of successful development provided under the Affordable Housing Schemes include:
  - Castlegate and The Paddocks in Adamstown
    - Deerpark Place in Tallaght
    - Eaton Square in Rathcoole
    - Slade Castle in Saggart
- 400 homes were delivered between 2004 -2008 in conjunction with the Voluntary Housing Associations
- The Rental Accommodation Scheme has delivered 600 homes to date with a target of 500 units per year
- 200 Traveller families have been accommodated between 2004-2008 in conjunction with Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee and local support groups
- Is é Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas an dara Údarás Tithíochta is mó sa Stát agus 8642 teach ar cíos mar chuid den Phunann Tithíochta iomlán.
- D'oscail an oifig 'Slí chun Tí' a doirse i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2005 agus tá foireann tiomanta Díolachán mar chuid di le haghaidh Tithíocht Inacmhainne agus an Scéim Ceannacháin Tionóntaí,
- Tá 2374 iarrthóir ar thithíocht inacmhainne atá ceadaithe ar an Liosta Tithíocht Inacmhainne againn, faoi láthair i mí Aibreáin 2009.
- Ó 2003 i leith – cheannaigh 1381 iarrthóir ar thithíocht inacmhainne a dteach féin. Ar na samplaí den fhorbairt ar éirigh go han-mhaith léi, faoi Scéimeanna Tithíocht Inacmhainne, áirítear:
  - Geata an Chaisleáin agus na Peadaic i mBaile Adaim
  - Plás Pháirc na bhFianna i dTamhlacht,
  - Cearnóg Eaton i Ráth Cúil
  - Caisleán an tSláid i dTeach Sagard
- Seachadadh 400 teach idir 2004 agus 2008 i gcomhar leis na Cumainn Tithíochta Deonaí.
- Tá 600 teach seachadta ag an Scéim Cóiríochta ar Cíos go dtí seo agus 500 aonad in aghaidh na bliana mar sprioc
- Cuireadh cóiríocht ar fáil do 200 teaglach ón Lucht Siúil idir 2004 agus 2008 i gcomhar leis an gCoiste Comhairliúcháin Áitiúil um Chóiríocht don Lucht Siúil agus grúpaí tacaíochta áitiúla.

## Arts and Culture in our County

The Arts have seen unprecedented growth over the last five years and South Dublin County Council Arts Office is committed to building for the future by supporting the development of creative people and communities throughout the County. One of the major developments in this area has been the opening of the South Dublin Arts Centre, Rua Red, in 2009, which comprises music, dance, performance, visual arts and multimedia studios.



Photographer: Jonathon Stokes

## Na hEalaíona agus an Cultúr inár gContae

Tá borradh ollmhór tagtha ar na healaíona le cúig bliana anuas agus tá Oifig Ealaíon Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas tiomanta do dhul chun cinn a dhéanamh don am amach romhainn trí thacaíocht a thabhairt d'fhorbairt daoine agus pobail chruthaitheacha trí na hEalaíona. Ba é ceann de na mórfhorbairtí sa réimse seo oscailt Ionad Ealaíon Átha Cliath Theas, Rua Red, in 2009, a bhfuil stiúideonna ceoil, damhsa, léirithe, amharcealaíon agus ilmheán mar chuid de.





## Achievements

- A cultural quarter at the centre of Tallaght comprising of RUA RED South Dublin Arts Centre, the County Library, the Civic Theatre and The Big Picture
- South Dublin Music Education Service -2008
- In Context 3 Public Art Programme - Per Cent for Art Programme 2006-2009
- Tallaght Young Filmmakers
- Appointment of a Youth Arts Participation Officer - 2008
- NOISE Project- a multi dimensional cultural website for young people - 2008
- FUSED Festivals
- Three artist residencies in literature, music and dance
- 29 Bursary Awards made to individual artists in the county to support the development of their practice
- Over 200 grants and contributions made to the amateur voluntary and community arts sector in the county
- Initiation of the Autumn Classical Concert Series 2004 - 2008
- Establishing local arts development workers in North Clondalkin and West Tallaght 2006 - 2009
- Between Earth Sky and Home a dance project from North Clondalkin
- Publications: County Lines; Night and Day; Puppets Paints and Funny Faces

## Gnóthachtálacha

- Ceathrú cultúrtha i lár Thamhlachta agus RUA RED, Ionad Ealaíon Átha Cliath Theas, Leabharlann an Chontae, Amharclann na Cathrach agus An Fhís Mhór.
- Seirbhís Oideachas Ceoil Átha Cliath Theas -2008
- In Context 3 Public Art Programme - Clár Per Cent for Art 2006-2009
- Déantóirí Scannán Óga Thamhlachta
- Ceapachán Oifigigh Rannpháirtíochta sna hEalaíona Óige - 2008
- Tionscadal NOISE- láithreán gréasán cultúrtha iltoiseach do dhaoine óga - 2008
- Féilte FUSED
- Triúr ealaíontóirí cónaitheacha sa litríocht, sa cheol agus sa damhsa
- 29 Dámhachtain Sparántachta bronnta ar ealaíontóirí aonair sa chontae chun tacaíocht a thabhairt d'fhorbairt a gcleachtais
- Os cionn 200 deontas agus ranníocaíocht déanta le hearnáil na n-ealaíon amaitéarach deonach agus na n-ealaíon pobail sa chontae.
- Tionscnamh Shraith Cheolchoirmeacha Clasaiceacha an Fhómhair 2004 - 2008
- Oibríthe forbartha ealaíon áitiúla a bhunú i gCluain Dolcáin Thuaidh agus Tamhlacht Thiar 2006 - 2009
- 'Between Earth Sky and Home', tionscadal damhsa ó Chluain Dolcáin Thuaidh
- Foilseacháin: County Lines; Night and Day; Puppets Paints and Funny Faces



## Stay Active, Get Fit

South Dublin County offers a range of leisure and sporting facilities for you to enjoy, whether its golfing, swimming, skateboarding or football, there's something for everyone on your doorstep.

### Achievements

- 2006 Tallaght Leisure Centre
- 2006 Clondalkin Leisure Centre all weather facility
- Angling Facility in Corkagh Park
- Grange Castle Golf Club
- 2008 Clondalkin Swimming Pool
- 2009 Tallaght Stadium
- 13 Playgrounds

### Did you know

- The Council maintains approximately 1,700 hectares of public parkland, open spaces, river valleys including:
- 5 Regional Parks
- 50 Neighbourhood Parks
- 13 Children's playgrounds
- 150 Playing Pitches
- 2 All Weather Athletic Tracks
- Grange Castle Golf Course - 40,000 green fees
- Fishing Facility, Corkagh Park
- 11 Five-a-side All Weather Astro Pitches





## Bí Gníomhach, Bí Aclai

Cuirtear raon saoráidí áineasa agus spóirt ar fáil i gContae Átha Cliath Theas, ar féidir taitneamh a bhaint astu, cibé an é galf, snámh, scátál nó peil a bhíonn i gceist, tá rogha ann do gach duine i do chomharsanacht féin.



### Seachadta

- Ionad Áineasa Thamhlachta
- saoráid uile aimsire Ionad Áineasa Chluain Dolcáin 2006
- Saoráid Slatiascaireachta i bPáirc Chorcaí
- Club Gailf Chaisleán na Gráinsí
- Linn Snámha Chluain Dolcáin 2008
- Staidiam Thamhlachta 2009
- Clóis Súgartha

### An raibh a fhios agat

- Déanann an Chomhairle cothabháil ar thart ar 1,700 heicteár páirce poiblí, spásanna oscailte, gleannta abhann, lena n-áirítear
- 5 Páirc Réigiúnach
- 50 Páirc Comharsanachta
- 13 Clóis Súgartha Leanaí
- 150 Páirc Imeartha
- 2 Rian Lúthchleasaíochta Uile Aimsire
- Galfchúrsa Chaisleán na Gráinsí - 40,000 táille ghlasa
- Saoráid Iascaireachta, Páirc Chorcaí
- 11 Páirc Imeartha Astro Uile Aimsire d'Fhoirne Cúigear



## The Big Picture - The Future of South Dublin An Fhís Mhór - Todhchaí Átha Cliath Theas

The Big Picture is an Interactive Exhibition Centre for the County. It showcases the best in the county by enabling citizens and visitors to experience the future of South Dublin County through the medium of multi media.

The overall aim of The Big Picture is to encourage people to have an opinion on the issues directly affecting them and to afford them the opportunity to voice their views through this new method of engagement.

Combining the new Arts Centre, the new County Library and The Big Picture a trail of knowledge and discovery is being created by South Dublin County Council that surpasses any platform of communication currently on offer from any other local authority in the country. For more information visit us at Talbot House, Tallaght.(the last Luas stop beside the Square in Tallaght). Admission is free and the centre is now open to all.

Is Ionad Taispeántais Idirghníomhach don Chontae é 'An Fhís Mhór'. Cuireann sé an chuid is fearr ar fad ón gcontae ar taispeáint trína chur ar chumas na saoránach agus na gcuariteoirí a fháil amach faoi thodhchaí Chontae Átha Cliath Theas trí mheán na n-ilmheán.

Is í aidhm fhoriomlán An Fhís Mhór, spreagadh a thabhairt do dhaoine chun tuairimí a mhúnlú maidir leis na saincheisteanna a imríonn tionchar díreach orthu agus chun deis a chur ar fáil dóibh a dtuairimí a chur in iúl tríd an modh nua idirghníomhaíochta seo.

Tá turas eolais agus fionnachtana á chruthú ag Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas, tríd an tIonad Ealaíon, Leabharlann an Chontae agus An Fhís Mhór a thabhairt le chéile, a sháróidh aon ardán cumarsáide a chuireann údarás áitiúil ar bith eile sa tír ar fáil. Chun a thuilleadh faisnéise a fháil, tabhairt cuairt orainn ag Teach Thalbóid, (an stad LUAS deireanach in aice leis an gCearnóg i dTamhlacht). Tá saorhead isteach.





## Connect

Connect is an Award Winning initiative of South Dublin County Council developing local internet content and new innovative uses of technology across citizen, business, educational and community services.

## Nascadh

Is tionscnamh de chuid Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas é Connect, a bhfuil gradam buaite aige, agus a fhorbraíonn ábhar idirlín áitiúil agus úsáidí nuálaíocha teicneolaíochta ar fud na seirbhísí saoránach, gnó, oideachais agus pobail



- **Connect Web** supporting local Community Groups and Schools to develop and maintain their own Community Websites:
  - **30 Community Centres Online**
  - **160 Community & Voluntary Websites live**
  - **65 Websites under construction**
  - **Training carried out in the new library and at locations around the county**
- **Connect Web** a thacaíonn le Grúpaí agus Scoileanna Pobail áitiúil chun a Láithreáin Ghréasáin a fhorbairt agus a chothabháil:
  - **30 Ionad Pobail ar Líne**
  - **160 Láithreán Gréasáin Pobail agus Deonach ar fáil go Beo**
  - **65 Láithreán Gréasáin á bhforbairt**
  - **Oiliúint curtha ar fáil sa leabharlann nua agus ag suímh ar fud an chontae**

- **Connect Me** provides location based service information – a ‘Find My Nearest’ facility:
  - **Full listings of the 6,000 businesses and services that exist in the County**
  - **84,000 residential addresses to enable you to search for any service online from where you live with the information mapped online**
- **Connect Me** a sholáthraíonn faisnéis faoi sheirbhísí suíomhbhunaithe – saoráid um ‘Faigh an Ceann is Cóngaraí domsa’:
  - **Liostú iomlán de na 6,000 gnólacht agus seirbhís atá ar fáil sa Chontae**
  - **84,000 seoladh cónaithe chun cur ar do chumas cuardach a dhéanamh le haghaidh seirbhís ar bith ar líne ó d’áit chónaithe agus an fhaisnéis mapáilte ar líne.**

- **Connect School** is an innovative project working with the Teachers and Students in St. Aidan’s Community School in West Tallaght to develop Student Centered Technology and a Virtual Learning Environment
- **Connect School** is ea tionscadal nuálaíoch ina ndéantar obair le Múinteoirí agus Daltaí i bPobalscoil Aodháin i dTamhlacht Thiar chun Teicneolaíocht Dalta-Lárnach agus Timpeallacht Fhíorúil Foghlama a fhorbairt.

## A Place for Everyone

South Dublin County Council's Social Inclusion Unit ensures that those at risk of poverty and social exclusion gain the opportunities and resources necessary to participate fully in the economic, social and cultural life of the county and that they enjoy a standard of living and well-being that is considered normal in the society in which they live. The Social Inclusion Unit also works to encourage positive inclusion of all people, young and old, building sustainable communities that offer equal opportunity to all.

## Áit do Gach duine

Cinntíonn Aonad Cuimsiú Sóisialta Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas go bhfaigheann na daoine sin atá i mbaol bochtaineachta agus eisiamh sóisialta na deiseanna agus na hacmhainní a bhfuil gá leo chun páirt a ghlacadh i saol eacnamaíoch, sóisialta agus cultúrtha an chontae agus go mbaineann siad taitneamh as caighdeán maireachtála agus folláine a meastar é a bheith ina ghnáthchaighdeán sa tsochaí ina bhfuil cónaí orthu. Oibríonn an tAonad Cuimsiú Sóisialta chun cuimsiú dearfach gach duine, idir óg agus shean, a spreagadh agus pobail inbhuanaithe a chothú a chuireann deis chomhionann ar fáil.

### Community Projects

- Cultural Diversity Seminar
- Traveller Culture Projects
- Polish/ Irish Family Days
- Employment Internship Scheme
- Annual Social Inclusion Week- November
- Garden for All Seasons - Sean Walsh Park

### Tionscadail Phobail

- Seimineár ar Éagsúlacht Chultúir
- Tionscadail um Chultúr an Luchta Siúil
- Laethanta Teaghlaigh Pholannaigh/ Éireannaigh
- Scéim Intéirneacht Fostaíochta
- Seachtain Bhliantúil um Chuimsiú Sóisialta - mí na Samhna
- Teiripe Gairneoireachta i bPáirc Sheáin Bhreatnaigh, reáchtáiltear Garden for All Seasons.





## Our Partners in Ethiopia Comhpháirtíocht san Aetóip



### Ethiopian Partnership Project

Initiated in 2006, this project is an innovative collaboration between two towns in Werabe and Butajira, a slum regeneration project in Addis Ababa and South Dublin County Council funded by Irish Aid, SDCC and through wage and salary deductions from staff and councillors.

### Among the Achievements to date

- 100m<sup>3</sup> reservoir complete and another under construction
- 15 new water standpipes and 3.2km of new watermains
- 3 new public landfill sites and public collection bins for refuse provided
- 2 four-classroom school blocks completed
- 550 School desks being built locally to equip class rooms
- Womens enterprise training
- Youth Centre and two multi-use playing pitches

### An Tionscadal um Chomhpháirtíocht leis an Aetóip

Is comhoibriú nuálaíoch seo, ar tosaíodh é in 2006, idir dhá bhaile in Werabe agus Butajira, tionscadal athbheochana slumaí in Addis Ababa agus Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas. Tá tús curtha lena clár maoinithe trí bliana le Cúnamh Éireann, Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas agus trí asbhaintí pá agus tuarastail ó bhaill foirne agus comhairleoirí.

### Cuid de na Gnóthachtálacha go dtí seo

- 100m<sup>3</sup> taiscumair críochnaithe agus ceann eile á thógáil
- 15 píobán seasta uisce nua agus 3.2km príomhphíopaí nua
- 3 láithreán nua líonta talún poiblí agus boscaí bruscair bhailiúcháin phoiblí soláthartha le haghaidh bruscair
- 2 bhloc scoile ceithre sheomra ranga tugtha chun críche
- 550 deasc scoile á dtógáil go háitiúil chun soláthar a dhéanamh do sheomraí ranga
- Oiliúint fiontraíochta do mhná
- Ionad Ógra agus dhá pháirc imeartha ilúsáide



## Participate and Enjoy

The Council co-ordinates a number of functions and events throughout the County every year. These events range from civil ceremonies and official launches to community and sporting events, family days, and art exhibitions.



## Bain taitneamh as

Déanann an Chomhairle comhordú ar roinnt ócáidí agus imeachtaí ar fud an chontae gach bliain. Baineann raon éagsúil leis na himeachtaí sin, idir searmanais shibhialta agus sheoltaí oifigiúla don phobal agus imeachtaí spóirt, laethanta teaghlaigh agus taispeántais ealaíne.



## Some events for 2005 - 2009



- St. Kevins GNS, Kilnamanagh gets Second Green Flag April 2009
- Celebration of Cultural Diversity in the Year of Creativity and Innovation April 2009
- Internationally Acclaimed Award Winning Filmmakers open the first NOISE Flicks Youth Film Festival March 2009
- Spóirt Teic and Sport Flexibility programmes 2008
- Halloweenfest: Getting ready for Halloween fun Oct 2008
- Official opening of Clondalkin Sports & Leisure Centre June 2008
- Launch of Connect iWalk May 2008
- Weavers Court Community Centre Official Opening Feb 2008
- Mayor recognises the achievements of Glenane Hockey Club June 2007
- Beautiful South Dublin Schools Competition awards 2007
- Spring Art exhibition launch, Lucan library March 2007
- Our Country Through Our Eyes Exhibition of Artwork from Comhairle na bPáistí February 2007 & 2009
- South Dublin County Council hosts Ceili and trad disco for Irish Students in County Hall Tallaght. October 2006
- Launch of Tallaght Inter schools soccer tournament May 2006
- Opening of All Weather pitches at Clondalkin Community Centre Jan 2006
- Annual Interfaith Celebration St Marys Lucan December 2005
- South Dublin County Council Travellers Training Employment Programme November 2005
- Mayor officially greets the olympic handball delegates October 2005.

## Roinnt imeachtaí a réachtáladh idir 2005 agus 2009

- Scoil Náisiúnta Cailíní Chaoimhín, Dara Bratach Ghlas faighte ag Cill na Manach, Aibreán 2009
- Ceiliúradh ar Éagsúlacht Chultúir i rith na Bliana Cruthaitheachta agus Nuálaíochta, Aibreán 2009
- Osclaíonn Scannánóirí a bhfuil Gradaim buaite acu agus a bhfuil Cáil orthu go hIrdnáisiúnta an chéad Fhéile Scannán 'NOISE Flicks' don Óige, Márta 2009
- Spóirt Teic agus cláir um sholúbthacht spóirt, 2008
- Halloweenfest: Ag ullmhú le haghaidh spraoi Oíche Shamhna, Deireadh Fómhair 2008
- Oscailt oifigiúil Ionad Spóirt agus Áineasa Chluain Dolcáin, Meitheamh 2008
- Seoladh 'Connect iWalk', Bealtaine 2008
- Seoladh Oifigiúil Ionad Pobail Chúirt na bhFíodóirí, Feabhra 2008
- Tugann an Méara aitheantas do ghnóthachtálacha Chlub Haca Ghleann Anna, Meitheamh 2007
- Gradaim Chomórtas na Scoileanna is Áille in Áth Cliath Theas 2007
- Seoladh Thaispeántas Ealaíne an Earraigh, Leabharlann Leamhcáin, Márta 2007
- Taispeántas Saothar Ealaíne 'Our Country Through Our Eyes' le Comhairle na bPáistí, Feabhra 2007
- Réachtáileann Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas Céilí agus 'Trad Disco' do Mhic Léinn Ghaeilge i Halla an Chontae, Tamhlacht, Deireadh Fómhair 2006
- Seoladh comórtas sacair Idir scoile Thamhlachta, Bealtaine 2006
- Oscailt na bPáirceanna Imeartha Uile Aimsire ag Ionad Pobail Chluain Dolcáin, Eanáir 2006
- Ceiliúradh Bliantúil Idirchreidimh ag St Marys, Leamhcán, mí na Nollag 2005
- Clár Oiliúna Fostaíochta don Lucht Siúil i gcomhar le Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas, Samhain 2005
- Beannaíonn an Méara do thoscáirí Liathróid Láimhe na gCluichí Oilimpeacha, Deireadh Fómhair 2005.



## Our Libraries Never Close!

South Dublin County Libraries are always open on the web and our branch libraries are open longer than any other public libraries across Ireland.

### Our Libraries are Free

- Free Internet
- Free WiFi with printing facilities
- International newspapers
- DVDs
- Thousands of the latest books
- CDs
- Events for children and adults
- Home Delivery Service to customers with mobility difficulties
- Language classes

### Explore New Horizons with South Dublin County Libraries

Whether you are dissatisfied with your income, looking for a job or just need a change there are options out there to explore and our Libraries can help with information on:

- Entrepreneurship
- Careers
- Writing CVs
- State of the art IT facilities
- Lifestyle changes

- Classes in computing
- Information for small businesses

### Children are welcome too

Whole new worlds open for children in our Libraries with the best books and computer software to spark young imaginations. But there is more:

- Homework help from [www.southdublinlibraries.ie](http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie)
- Fantastic books
- Tumblebooks – digital picture books for young readers
- Best websites for children
- Parent and toddler sessions
- Storytellers from around the world
- Places to study

South Dublin County Libraries – overall winner of Ireland's eGovernment Award 2009 for our Digital Book Service on [www.southdublinlibraries.ie](http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie)  
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## Ní Dhúnann Ár Leabharlanna Riamh!

Bíonn Leabharlanna Chomhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas oscailte i gcónaí ar an ngréasán agus bíonn ár leabharlanna brainse oscailte níos faide ná aon leabharlann phoiblí eile ar fud na hÉireann.

### Tá ár Leabharlanna Saor in Aisce

- Idirlíon Saor in Aisce
- WiFi saor in aisce le saoráidí clódóireachta
- Nuachtáin Idirnáisiúnta
- DVDanna
- Na mílte leabhar is déanaí a fhoilsítear
- CDanna
- Imeachtaí do leanaí agus do dhaoine fásta
- Seirbhís Seachadta Baile chuig custaiméirí a bhfuil deacrachtaí gluaste acu
- Ranganna teanga

- Ranganna i ríomhaireacht
- Faisnéis le haghaidh gnólachtaí beaga

### Cuirtear fáilte roimh leanaí chomh maith

Domhan iomlán nua ar fáil do leanaí inár Leabharlanna leis na leabhair is fearr agus bogearraí chun samhlaíocht daoine óga a spreagadh. Ach tá níos mó gnéithe ar fáil freisin:

- Cabhair le hobair bhaile ó [www.southdublinlibraries.ie](http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie)
- Leabhair Iontacha
- 'Tumblebooks' – leabhair phictiúir dhigitigh do léitheoirí óga
- Na láithreáin ghréasáin is fearr do leanaí
- Seisiúin tuismitheoirí agus mamailínigh
- Scéalaithe ó thiortha ar fud an domhain
- Áiteanna le staidéar a dhéanamh

### Cuardaigh Ionchais Nua i gcomhar le Leabharlanna Átha Cliath Theas

Cibé an é go bhfuil tú míshásta le d'ioncam, go bhfuil post á chuardach agat nó go bhfuil athrú ag teastáil uait fiú, tá roghanna ar fáil duit chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh agus is féidir lenár Leabharlanna cabhair a thabhairt le faisnéis a sholáthar faoi:

- Fiontraíocht
- Gairmeacha
- Cvanna a Scríobh
- Saoráidí TF den scoth
- Athruithe i stíl bheatha

Leabharlanna Contae Átha Cliath Theas – buaiteoir foriomlán Ghradam ríomhRialtais na hÉireann 2009 dár Seirbhís Leabhair Dhigitigh ar [www.southdublinlibraries.ie](http://www.southdublinlibraries.ie) Leabharlanna Contae Átha Cliath Theas – Ar oscailt i gcónaí duitse!



## A Snapshot of our successes

### Achievements over the past 5 years

South Dublin County Council has been successful in achieving awards in many fields over the past five years in areas of excellence in economic developments such as Adamstown to IT initiatives like The Connect Project.

- Chamber of Commerce of Ireland - Excellence in Local Government Awards Economic Development Award 2004 & 2005 for Development of Grange Castle Business Park 2005
- Irish Independent - Best Companies to work for
- People of the Year Awards - South Dublin Libraries for contributions to education and lifelong learning
- eGovernment - Innovation Through Technology Awards - Innovator of the Year 2006
- Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards - Local Authority of the Year 2007
- Innovative Organisation of the Year Award at the Innovation in Technology Awards 2007, for The Connect Project

At the Local Authority Members Association (LAMA) Awards, The winning South Dublin County projects were:

- The new County Library in Tallaght for Best Public Building
- The Adamstown development in South Lucan for Best Private Housing Development
- The Adamstown development for Best Affordable Housing Development Project and
- The Arena Development in Tallaght for Best Mixed Development Project

### 2008

The Excellence in Local Government Award in the Technology Sector sponsored by Chambers Ireland.

### 2009

Ireland's Local Government eGovernment Award as well as the Overall Award at the eGovernment awards.



## Gradaim

### Gnóthachtálacha le 5 bliana anuas

D'éirigh go han-mhaith le Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas maidir le gradaim a bhaint amach in go leor réimsí feabhais i bhforbairtí eacnamaíocha, cosúil le Baile Adaim agus tionscnaimh TF, cosúil le The Connect Project. Aithníonn na gnóthachtálacha seo an tiomantas a léiríonn na comhaltaí tofa agus na baill foirne maidir le feabhas a ghnóthú agus seirbhísí níos fearr a sheachadadh chuig saoránaigh an Chontae 2004

- Cumann Tráchtála na hÉireann - Feabhas i nGradaim Rialtais Áitiúil, Gradam um Fhorbairt Eacnamaíoch 2004 & 2005 as Forbairt Pháirc Gnó Chaisleán na Gráinsí 2005
- Irish Independent - Na Cuideachtaí is Fearr le hObair Ionu
- Gradaim 'People of the Year' - Leabharlanna Átha Cliath Theas as an méid a chuir siad le hoideachas agus foghlaim ar feadh an tsaoil
- ríomhRialtas - Nuálaíocht Trí Ghraim Teicneolaíochta - Nuálaí na Bliana 2006
- Gradaim um Fheabhas i Rialtas Áitiúil le Chambers Ireland - Údarás Áitiúil na Bliana

## Irish Office

The Irish Office was created in October 2004. For the last five years work has progressed on the promotion of the Irish language within the County and in the implementation of the Official Language Act 2003.

- The South Dublin County Language Scheme was prepared in 2006.
- Seachtain na Gaeilge takes place in the County every March.

## Oifig na Gaeilge

Cruthaíodh Oifig na Gaeilge i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2004. Tá dul chun cinn déanta ar obair le cúig bliana anuas maidir le cur chun cinn na Gaeilge laistigh den Chontae agus maidir le cur i bhfeidhm Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla 2003.

- Ullmhaíodh Scéim Teanga Contae Átha Cliath Theas in 2006.
- Reáchtáiltear Seachtain na Gaeilge sa Chontae i mí Mhárta gach bliain.



## South Dublin Childrens Services Committee

The Children's Services Committee promotes interagency working to ensure children and families get appropriate and timely services from the many organisations they encounter in their daily lives. The committee members represents 16 organisations and includes organisations such as the HSE, SDCC, Department of Education and Science, Barnardos, CDI, An Garda Síochána, the local Partnerships etc.

The annual report and Workplan was launched at The Big Picture by the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs, Barry Andrews TD, in the presence of the Deputy Mayor of South Dublin Guss O'Connell, March 2009.

[www.southdublinchildren.ie](http://www.southdublinchildren.ie)



## Coiste Seirbhísí Leanaí Átha Cliath Theas

Cuireann an Coiste Seirbhísí Leanaí oibriú idirghníomhaireachta chun cinn d'fhonn a chinntiú go bhfaigheann leanaí agus teaghlaigh seirbhísí cuí agus tráthúla ó na heagraíochtaí go léir a mbíonn baint acu leo i rith a saoil. Déanann comhaltaí coiste ionadaíocht ar 16 eagraíocht agus áirítear eagraíochtaí air, cosúil le Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas, an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, Barnardos, CDI, an Garda Síochána, na Comhpháirtíochtaí áitiúla srl.

Sheol an tAire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige, Barry Andrews, TD, an Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Plean Oibre ag The Big Picture, os comhair Leas-Mhéara Átha Cliath Theas, Guss O'Connell ar an dara lá de mhí Mhárta.

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## Comhairle Na nÓg

South Dublin County Comhairle na nÓg gives young people the opportunity to be involved in the development of local services and policies. Over twenty Post Primary level schools, Barnardos, Youthreach and The Irish Wheelchair Association have representation on Comhairle.

Achievements over the last five years

- "Feast or Famine" - Social Inclusion project
- "Making Connections" - County Development Board and Children Services, SDCC. - developing a County Recreation Strategy for Young People.
- Comhairle na nÓg Elections and Comhairle na bPáistí aimed at younger children at Primary level.

## Comhairle Na nÓg

Cuireann Comhairle na nÓg de chuid Chontae Átha Cliath Theas deis ar fáil do dhaoine óga chun baint a bheith acu le forbairt seirbhísí agus beartas áitiúil. Déantar ionadaíocht ar os cionn fiche iarbhunscoileanna, Barnardos, Youthreach agus Cumann Cathaoireacha Rothaí na hÉireann ar an gComhairle.

Gnóthachtálacha le cúig bliana anuas

- "Feast or Famine" - Tionscadal um Chuimsiú Sóisialta
- "Making Connections" - Bord Forbartha Contae agus Seirbhísí Leanaí, Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas - ag forbairt Straitéis Áineasa Contae do Dhaoine Óga.
- Toghcháin Chomhairle na nÓg agus Chomhairle na bPáistí dírithe ar pháistí níos óige ag an leibhéal bunscoile.



## Cúram Ardchaighdeáin do Chustaiméirí

### Quality Customer Care

- 2004 Dedicated Customer Care Centre opened its doors in County Hall Tallaght
- 2007 Clondalkin Civic Centre opened.
- The centres deal with approx 1,400 telephone calls per day and over 1,000 Counter callers per week.
- 88% of queries dealt with at 1st point of contact
- 13% of queries referred to departments.

You may access our services via the Customer Care page on our website or contact us by email at [info@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:info@sdublincoco.ie)

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- In 2004 osclaíodh doirse an Ionaid Tiomanta Cúram Custaiméirí i Halla an Chontae, Tamhlacht
- In 2007 osclaíodh Ionad Cathartha Chluain Dolcáin.
  - Pléann na hionaid le thart ar 1,400 glaoch teileafóin in aghaidh an lae agus os cionn 1,000 duine a bhuaileann isteach chuig an gCuntar.
  - Pléitear le 88% de na fiosruithe ag an gcéad phointe teagmhála:
  - Tarchuirtear 13% de na fiosruithe chuig ranna:

Féadfaidh tú rochtain a fháil ar ár seirbhísí tríd an leathanach Cúram Custaiméirí ar ár láithreán greásáin nó teagmháil a dhéanamh linn trí ríomhphost ag [info@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:info@sdublincoco.ie)

Trí úsáid a bhaint as **sms**, féadfaidh tú do theachtaireacht nó d'fhiosrú a chur ar théacs chuig **086 173 1707**

## European and Local Elections

Friday 5th June 2009

**Don't forget to vote!**

## Toghcháin na hEorpa agus Toghcháin Áitiúla

Dé hAoine 5 Meitheamh 2009

**Ná dean dearmad vótáil!**



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